

REPORT ON INFORMATION COLLECTED CONCERNING APPLICANT

Under section 60835 of title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, the Bureau of State Audits is responsible for collecting information concerning applicants for the Citizens Redistricting Commission that is needed by the Applicant Review Panel to perform its responsibilities. Pursuant to that regulation, Stephanie Ramirez-Ridgeway, Counsel for the Applicant Review Panel, requested information on behalf of the panel concerning an applicant being considered for selection to the Commission. This is a report by bureau staff in response to that request.

Name of Applicant: Larry D. Bowler.

Date of request to collect information: May 12, 2010.

Statement of request: Applicant served three terms in the California Assembly from 1992 through 1998. Find out when Applicant stopped being a candidate for state office by terminating his controlled committee, Bowler for Assembly #911898.

Response to request: Bureau staff has confirmed with the Secretary of State's Office that Bowler for Assembly #911898, Applicant's controlled campaign committee for election to the Assembly, is still an active committee with outstanding debt of \$15,000 according to the committee's last campaign disclosure statement. The committee was never terminated as provided by Government Code section 84214. Accordingly, under Government Code section 82007, as Applicant did not terminate his Assembly election committee, Applicant has retained his status as a candidate for the Assembly throughout the ten year period prior to submitting an application to serve as a member of the Citizens Redistricting Commission, and remains a candidate to this day, able to accept contributions into his committee to pay off the outstanding debt. Applicant therefore is ineligible to serve as a member of the Commission under Government Code section 8252, subdivision (a)(2)(A)(i), as he has been a candidate for state office within the ten years immediately preceding the date that he submitted his application.

Recommendation: Applicant be excluded from the supplemental applicant pool due to being ineligible to serve as a member of the Commission.

Name and title of person submitting response: Steven Benito Russo, Chief of Investigations.

Response Date: May 20, 2010.